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C O N F I D E N T I A L KINSHASA 2169

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MOPS PFOR MASS CG

SUBJ: ZAIRIAN REQUEST FOR MILITARY ASSISTANCE FROM BELGIUM
AND FRANCE

REF: STATE 53979

IN TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH MOBUTU TODAY I ASKED HIM WHAT HE WAS REQUESTING FROM THE BELGIANS AND FRENCH AND POINTED OUT THAT WE WOULD WISH TO COORDINATE ALL POSSIBLE EFFORTS. MOBUTU SAID THAT THE FRENCH HAD REPLIED TO A REQUEST FOR AID "IMMEDIATELY" BY SAYING THAT THEY WOULD COVER COVER 10 PERCENT OF ZAIRE'S REQUIREMENTS IN ARMS AMMUNITIONS. THE FRENCH WERE ALSO WILLING TO DISCUSS OTHER SPECIFIC ITEMS. MOBUTU ALSO SAID THAT HE HAD SENT A MESSENGER TO BRUSEELS WITH A LIST OF REQUIRED ARMS, AND THAT TINDEMANS HAD CALLED HIM BACK UPON RECEIPT OF THE LIST TO SAY THAT THE BELGIAN CABINET WOULD MEET IMMEDIATELY TO DISCUSS ZAIRE'S REQUIREMENTS. MOBUTU PROMISED TO GET THESE LISTS INTO OUR HANDS ASAP. SOON THEREAFTER CHIEF ZAMISH MET WITH GENERAL BABIA AND WAS GIVEN THE FOLLOWING LIST WHICH HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE BELGIANS:

BELGIUM

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1. ARMS

A. MAG (MACHINE GUN	115
B. .50	15
C. 81MM MORTAR	40
D. 120MM MORTAR	15
E. RIFLE GERNADES	3000
OFFENSIVE HAND GERNADES	5000

FRAGMENTATION GERNADES 5000
F. MINES ANTI-PERSONNEL 78,000
MINES ANTI-TANK 23,000
G. ANTI-TANK ROCKET LAUNCHER 60
2. AMMUNITION
A. MAG 18,400,000
B. .50 750,000
C. 7.62 15,540,000
D. 81MM HE 67,200
E. 81MM SMOKE 12,200
F. 81MM FLARE 4,800
G. 120MM HE 24,000
H. 120MM FLARE 4,800
I. ROCKET ANTI-TANK 14,400
3. EQUIPMENT
A. TENT FP MED 405
B. TENT CP 15
C. C-RATIONS 300,000
NEEDS OF FAZA FOR OPERATIONS-SHABA
BELGIUM
A. CARTRIDGES 150,000 RDS 30MM
B. ROCKET 2.75" 8,000
C. BOMBS 500 LBS 600
D. BOMBS 1000 LB FRAG 600
E. BOMBS 1000 LBS 600
F. FLYING EQUIPMENT 200
G. C-RATIONS 6,000
WALKER

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